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Re: Application of Henry BUSE  
FLIP-TOP PACKET FOR CIGARETTES  
Assignee: **FOCKE & CO. (GmbH & Co. KG)**  
Our Ref: Q92726

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 10 sheet(s) of drawings (Figs. 1-16).
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☒ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a copy of the ISR.
- ☐ a copy of the IPER.
- ☒ a copy of the German Search Report.
- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the references cited on both the International and German Search Reports.
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the **German** Search Report. (Copies of the references cited in the International Search Report have already been submitted by WIPO; however, if duplicate copies are needed for the Examiner's convenience, please contact the undersigned attorney.)
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.

**A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date with the required fees.**

It is assumed that copies of the references cited in the International Search Report, the International Preliminary Examination Report and the certified priority document will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.



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**It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).**

**Please see the attached PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT before calculating the filing fees.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	17	-	20	=		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1	-	3	=		x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$300.00
Search Fee*									\$400.00
Examination Fee									\$200.00

**TOTAL FILING FEE**

\$900.00

Assignment Recordation Fee

\$ 40.00

**TOTAL FEE**

\$940.00

\*The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO, as the ISA, but the ISR is being submitted herewith.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory filing fee in the amount of \$900.00 and the Assignment Recordation Fee in the amount of \$40.00 and any other required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

Country

Germany

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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